

Bob Goodman statement

In the last few years and to fair to Cllr Romero it is mostly in the last 2 years that this administration has shown little or NO respect to residents, they have behaved in a truly despicable way.

Where does one start with what was to be a new dawn ..which has turned into the darkest of all nights.

The giving away in the manner you have of Bathampton Meadows is where it started with the almost give away of the Ransome strip at Bath Cricket club worth I suspect several millions following hot on its heels.

But wait it didn't stop there ...Doing a deal with the Guinness Trust to give them close to half a million and then to let them off a million pound dilapidation liability made no sense at all .. they should have enforced the repairing covenants and social tenants could have remained.

These are just some of the poor financial judgement we have had to accept.

Increasing staff costs by £ 20 m and allowing the millions of pounds of reduction in the commercial income is not something to be proud of, your support to tenants was pitiful during Covid and did little to help our independent shops unless of course you were Jolly's...

The closing of the Fashion Museum is a legacy few would be proud of, and the chances of it reopening in the style that it should is practically nil if this administration was to return, The smoke screen of making Bath the Fashion Capital is fooling no one.

We were promised a listening Council but when residents started to criticise they introduced censorship, with speakers having to submit their speeches and have it altered if they did not agree with what one was saying.

WELL Gary Lineker BANES beat the BBC to censorship how appalling is that. They too had to relent..Democracy must be at the forefront of our lives and it is clear this. Ou Cil has failed Time andTime again.

The inept way that Consultations have been adopted is beyond belief. To think it is right to say just because some one has accessed a consultation that it is assumed they support it... shameful doesn't come into it.

This has resulted in a group of residents uniting to Save Bath ..Cllrs these residents aren't right wing or anti Vacers , they are concerned residents and when Cabinet members won't even meet them to discuss the issues it says it all .

How pleasing it was at Monday's Scrutiny panel to finally hear some honesty from 2 Cabinet Members.

Firstly an admission that this Council has not helped the business community enough but secondly to hear the truth that this council have not built 100 or is it 133 social affordable houses... it only 7 and he did inflate the figures by 20which were not new social units just a refurbishment of Guinness Trust social units. The lies really do have to stop..

At least John Darvall of Radio Bristol now's the truth but I don't expect the leader of the Council will go back on his programme now.